

Dignity.  
Harmony.  
Humanity.



# THE BUZZ

("B" in the KNOW!)  
November 30, 2015



Do you have something that you would like to share in the BUZZ? Please send to DG Barbara at [bebopp2002@yahoo.com](mailto:bebopp2002@yahoo.com)

A reminder to club secretaries (and anyone else who sends emails directly to the clubs) – DO NOT send information directly to the clubs – send your information for inclusion in the BUZZ. The BUZZ is published the first and third Monday each month so plan accordingly. This process started this year and will continue to be done this way in the next few years – so let's get on board now and stop sending directly to the clubs.

Have you been to our district website yet? Lots of information. Let me know if you would like to see anything else on our site – it's for you. [e-district.org/sites/21b](http://e-district.org/sites/21b)

1<sup>st</sup> Prize - TV - MFOS Lions Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - Eye Exam - Chuck Carpenter,  
Tucson Downtown Lions Club

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - \$200 - MFOS Lions Club

4<sup>th</sup> Prize - \$100 – Kevin Mulligan, Tucson  
Rincon Lions Club



## Reading Action Program

Did you know that it's essential that students be fluent readers by the end of third grade? Fluent reading is critical for academic success. Students experiencing academic problems are at significant risk to drop out of school before high school graduation. Then there's computer literacy, financial literacy, and multilingual literacy, to name just a few that today's youth must master to prepare for work in a global economy.

LCI has embarked on a ten-year program to improve and increase literacy. Arizona Lions Clubs are participating in this challenge with a wide variety of programs. We will be showcasing some reading initiatives at the March Convention in Tucson. As we prepare for that event, we are asking for some information from you.

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### ALERT RAFFLE

The members of the ALERT Board would like to thank everyone who participated in our raffle. We appreciate your support. The winning tickets were drawn at the MD-21 Mid-year

conference in Mesa. And the winners:



Please contact Muriel and Marie and let them know what your club – committee – group is doing to promote literacy. Are you donating books or money? Reading to students? Teaching reading or English to people? Do you hold a special event – bake sale – dinner for the cause? Please let us know. Many clubs are looking for projects or for ways to enhance their activities. As noted, the plan is to disseminate this information in March.

In January, we will share more information about the Reading Action Program for the March Convention event.

Muriel Stevens and Marie Bracki  
 Reading Action Program  
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[m.bracki@comcast.net](mailto:m.bracki@comcast.net)



**Welcome to  
 15 New Lions**  
 to strengthen our  
 pride in 21-B in  
 November!

Gary Seat  
 William Fullerton  
 Stacy Laughrey  
 Mary Haase  
 Mark Nipp  
 Gary Robinson  
 Suzanne Nelson  
 Davis Hosman  
 Verla Hosman  
 Cheie Laurd  
 Roman Soltero  
 Dennis Connick  
 John Hamilton  
 Raj Kapur  
 Tanya Polec

Casa Grande  
 Chandler  
 Chandler  
 Chandler Sun Bird  
 Globe  
 Globe  
 Green Valley La Canoa  
 Mesa Leisure World  
 Mesa Leisure World  
 Mesa Leisure World  
 Nogales  
 Sun Lakes Breakfast  
 Sun Lakes Breakfast  
 Sun Lakes Breakfast  
 Tucson Downtown

**Transfers:**

Gary Gjerstad from Apache Junction Lions Club to Iowa  
 Laura Flores from San Pedro Valley to Catalina-Oro Valley

**Transfers to Heavenly Hosts:**

Dick Riley from Mesa Leisure World  
 Bob Wodraska from Sun Lakes



**Environmental  
 Photo  
 Contest!!!**

Lions from clubs in good standing can enter an original, unaltered, black-and-white or color photo (without people) of the environment in the following 2015-2016 Lions Environmental Photo Contest categories:

- Animal Life
- Landscape (Urban or natural)
- Plant Life
- Weather Phenomenon
- Special Theme: Dignity, harmony, humanity: Celebrating the peaceful coexistence of species.

The impartial judging of photos should focus on originality, artistic merit, and portrayal of the environmental theme. Clubs select and submit one winning photo to the district to: Juliet Yardy 3532 E. Presidio Rd. Tucson, AZ 85716 postmarked by December 30th.



**UPCOMING  
 CENTENNIAL  
 PROJECT**

ATTENTION ALL LIONS! Keep October 8, 2016, open on your calendar for the Inaugural LIONS CAMP TATIYEE GOLF TOURNAMENT to be held at the Apache Stronghold Golf Resort in Globe. This will be a very special golf tournament to raise money for the specific purpose of sponsoring special needs campers. More info to follow!

Steve Ravenkamp  
 District 21-B Centennial Chairperson

## LOOK! A new column! DISTRICT 21-B ENERGIZER BUNNY!!



Dear Lions of 21 B:

How appropriate it is that I write these comments Thanksgiving morning. Thanksgiving takes on special significant meaning this year. For the first time in many years,

I'm going to be enjoying Thanksgiving with my Brother & some of his family here in my home state of Iowa. There will be plenty to eat; & there's even a keyboard I'm sure I'll tackle as the day goes on.

So what else am I thankful for, besides the reconnection with family since the move? I'm thankful, for the remaining time that I was able to spend as a Lion in Arizona. Two specific things come to mind in that regard. First, the leadership conference that occurred October 30 through November 1. Lion Ron & those who worked with him, did a beautiful job of putting that thing together; & making sure that everything went smoothly. For my part, playing soft music for the parade of banners was both, a thrill & an honor. I'm so appreciative of Lion Ron for asking me to do this. It was the first time anything like this had ever been tried, & from the comments I would hear, everyone loved it.

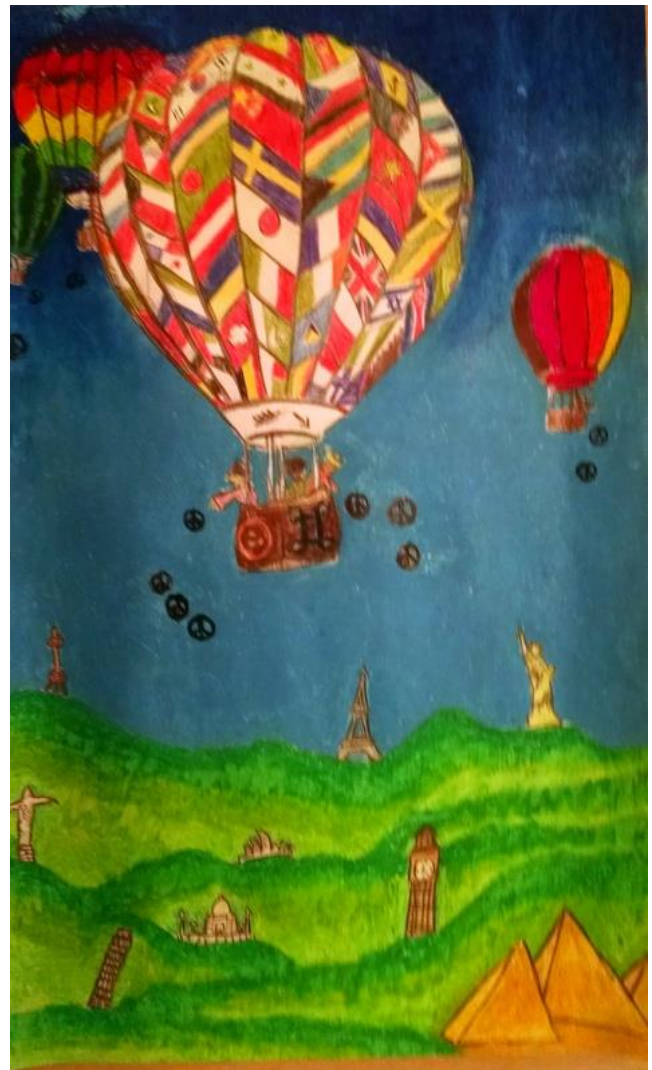
Attending my last meeting as a member of the Apache Junction Lions was equally as rewarding. There were two surprises for that particular meeting, I will long remember & treasure. The number of people that came from the district level, (Including our District Governor,) was truly amazing. The explanation, was that they wanted to come & wish me well.

There was another reason for them to be there, which became very obvious. To receive a plaque, designating me as a Melvin Jones Fellow, was a complete shock. I was both overwhelmed & speechless; on receiving such an honor. As Lions, we do what we do, not expecting to receive recognition such as that. & yet, when something like that does take place, it's nice knowing that efforts that are put in, don't go unnoticed. We receive such recognition, with the humility & grace, God bestows on us. I thank Apache Junction, for this honor; & accept the recognition in the spirit for which it was made.

What are you as a Lion thankful for? I hope that as you've enjoyed the special time with family & other special people, that you've had the opportunity to reflect on what it is, to be a Lion. The outreach we do with community & its citizens; the service we provide for those in need. We are in a very real sense, vessels of God. He gives us the tools; & we go from there. Our world is not perfect; but because of who we are, we've truly made a difference. Stand up, & give yourselves a cheer, for a job well done.

Lion Gary Gjerstad, District 21-B Energizer Bunny

## DISTRICT 21-B WINNER!!



District 21-B supports LCI's Peace Poster Contest through many schools throughout the district. This year's winner was supported by the Sun Lakes Lions Club. The winner is Donnie Baraowski. He is eleven years old and in the sixth grade at Knox Gifted Academy in Chandler. Donnie's quote on Peace: "Share Peace Everywhere"



**ATTENTION ALL 21-B CLUB OFFICERS AND MEMBERS**

**PLEASE PUT THE FOLLOWING DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR  
TO ATTEND THE FOLLOWING LIONS EVENTS  
(Especially the highlighted events)**

**2016 MD21 Arizona Calendar**

<b>Jan 9*</b>	<b>MJM Rededication Day</b>	<b>MJLIM</b>	<b>Ft. Thomas</b>
Feb 5-8	21C Convention	Prescott Resort	Prescott
Feb 27	21A Convention	Wickenburg Community Ctr	Wickenburg
<b>Mar 11</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Council meeting</b>	<b>Radisson</b>	<b>Tucson</b>
<b>Mar 11-12</b>	<b>21B Convention</b>	<b>Radisson</b>	<b>Tucson</b>
May 20	4 <sup>th</sup> Council meeting	Mesa Hilton	Mesa
<b>May 20-22</b>	<b>MD21 Convention</b>	<b>Mesa Hilton</b>	<b>Mesa</b>
Jun 24-28	International Convention		Fukuoka, Japan

\* bring your new members to be inducted

**21-B club secretaries – have you double checked and tripled checked ALL of your club information and member information online? We continue to have out of date information for the directory and it is because the information online is not current. Please check with ALL of your members and VERIFY that all information on MyLci is correct.**



## ARIZONA LIONS DAY AT THE PHOENIX SUNS

FOR YOUR LIONS CAMP TATIYEE  
SUNDAY DECEMBER 13, 2015

Seating: Section: MID-COURT 201-205 upper level

\$40.00

Gates Open at 11:30 A.M. TIPOFF at 1:30 P.M.

Cut-Off Date: December 7, 2015

Phoenix Suns V Minnesota Timberwolves  
Need 30 Sponsors for "Challenged Campers"

Early tipoff means you'll be home early!

Make Checks Payable To: Lions Camp Tatiyee  
Mail To: Lion Ron Brown  
11851 N. Mission Dr., Sun City, AZ 85351

Contact: [rbrowenator@gmail.com](mailto:rbrowenator@gmail.com)  
623-977-8844



# Benefit for Richie Fund



Richie Lopez, born without eyes, just celebrated his first birthday in October, in Mesa, Arizona. He will have prosthetic eyes implanted soon, after having expanders put into the eye sockets. This has been done each of the past months.

The prosthetic eyes, costing \$8,000, will hopefully be partially covered by insurance, but the remainder must be covered by the Fund. Since his eye nerves are OK, there is a great chance he will be able to see in the future.

Transplanted eyes can survive, now, hooking up with existing blood vessels, but the secret of attaching the live eye nerves to the transplanted eye has not been discovered. Much expensive genetic testing will have to be researched before that secret will be revealed. This is not covered by insurance. Many dollars are still needed for the possibility of little Richie to see some day.

Five clubs in D21-B have already donated for which many thanks are given. They are Benson, North Tucson, Chandler, Casa Grande, and donations given at the D21-B Organizational Meeting. If any other Lions clubs could make additional donations to this little boy's Fund, it would be greatly appreciated.

Make donation checks to Mesa East Lions Club with a notation in the lower left hand corner, Benefit for Richie Fund. We have a separate checking account for the Richie Fund.

**Send the checks to Mesa East Lions Club. 559 S. Racine St. Mesa, AZ 85206.**

Thank you!!



# ATTENTION ALL 21-B LIONS CLUBS

Is your club looking for a new way to serve your community? Join in the **Health & Wellness Initiative!** You can provide blood pressure screenings, test blood oxygen and belly fat, test blood glucose and cholesterol, and provide nutritional information. Provide one or all of the screenings - you decide. Learning tools are easily available. What do you need to do first? Contact your 21-B Coordinator for Health & Wellness, Lion Julie Minnick. She will walk you through the process of:

- Identifying where/when your club will hold an event.
- Advertising your event.
- What screenings you choose to do.
- What equipment and supplies you will need and how to acquire them.
- Ideas on table set up and presentation.
- Determining how many Lions you will need to provide the screenings.

Contact Lion Julie Minnick at (901) 359-4997 or [jamin210@yahoo.com](mailto:jamin210@yahoo.com).

12th Annual



# SUN LAKES LIONS FOUNDATION



## CASINO NIGHT

SATURDAY

JANUARY 30TH, 2016

TICKETS

\$20.00



OVER \$1,000.00 IN GREAT PRIZES

SUN LAKES COUNTRY CLUB

25601 SUN LAKES BLVD, SUN LAKES, AZ

5:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Proceeds to Support

Arizona Lion's Camp Tatiyee Campers

Ticket price includes \$500.00 in casino chips

Food and Drinks are available

Tickets available at the Sun Lakes Country Club Resource center,  
any Sun Lakes Lion, or call **480-352-8076**







Gilbert Lions Presents



# ROCK THE VALLEY

THE RAVE & Titan Valley Warheads

Favorite tunes of 50's & 60's by The Rave and traditional favorites by the legendary Titan Valley Warheads

Saturday January 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.



Titan Valley Warheads

Visionary Sponsors:



Heritage FINANCIAL SERVICES

Spec-Tacular Sponsors:

EXPERT MAINTENANCE SYSTEMS



Mayor John Lewis Will be our Guest MC



THE RAVE

## Gilbert High School Auditorium

1101 East Elliot Road & Gilbert, Arizona 85234

Tickets are \$10.00

For Tickets E-mail: [gilbertlionsof21b@outlook.com](mailto:gilbertlionsof21b@outlook.com)

Phone for information: 480-751-8284

# HELP LIONS CAMP TATIYEE

By Contributing to the *Credit for Donations made to Qualifying Charitable Organizations* formally known as the *Working Poor Tax Credit*

## ... And Be Rewarded For It!!

### FACTS ABOUT THE CHARITABLE TAX CREDIT

- Contributions can be made to Lions Camp Tatiyee even if you don't itemize your deductions
- This is a dollar-for-dollar tax credit that can lower the amount of state taxes owed
- \$200 credit for individuals and \$400 for married couples
- This credit is in addition to the school tax credit; you can do both!
- To help us make a big difference in the lives of our campers, please designate before December 31st!

To participate, simply complete the form below, or visit [www.ArizonaLionsCamp.org](http://www.ArizonaLionsCamp.org) to pledge your support today!. You will be sent an acknowledgement for tax purposes.

Complete this form and mail to: Lions Camp Tatiyee PO Box 6910 Mesa, AZ 85216

Under the Arizona Charitable Tax Credit Law (ARS 43-1088), you can now contribute up to \$400 for couples filing jointly (\$200 for individuals) to assist Camp Tatiyee, and your generous gift may COST YOU NOTHING! This Credit is **allowed in addition** to the tax credit for schools. All donations will go to funding campers to attend camp. This donation to Lions Camp Tatiyee may be claimed as an itemized deduction on your federal tax return.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed payable to Lions Camp Tatiyee







# GREEN VALLEY LIONS CLUB

P.O. Box 632, Green Valley, AZ 85622

Please join us for our Club's

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon & Celebration

Thursday, March 10, 2016

12:00 Noon

American Legion Post 66  
1560 W. Duval Mine Rd., Sahuarita, AZ

12:00 Noon Social Hour 1:00 pm Luncheon

*Chicken Cordon Bleu or Salmon Fillet*

**\$25.00 per person\*\***

2:00 pm Celebration of 50 Years

**Special Guest Speakers**

**Past International President Bill and Past International Director Dana Biggs\***

*Dress: Business casual attire*

\*We may have only one speaker if schedules will not permit both to attend.

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- Please enclose this portion for your reservation -

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon & Celebration Reservations

**Space is limited, so please R.S.V.P. promptly**  
**RSVP Deadline is February 25, 2016**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ No. in Party: \_\_\_\_\_

Meal Choice: Chicken Cordon Bleu \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon Fillet \_\_\_\_\_

Number of meals @ \$25.00: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Due:** \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

Please remit to: Green Valley Lions Club, C/O Gary Hultman, Treasurer  
P.O. Box 632, Green Valley, AZ 85622

**WHAT DO LIONS DO: WE SERVE . . . WITH PRIDE**



## DISTRICT 21 A – CONVENTION

February 27, 2016

Wickenburg Community Center  
160 North Valentine Street, Wickenburg

### REGISTRATION FORM

Please PRINT clearly

1. Lion \_\_\_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name

2015-2016 Club/District Office Held \_\_\_\_\_

Home Club or Non-Lion Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Lion \_\_\_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name

2015-2016 Club/District Office Held \_\_\_\_\_

Home Club or Non-Lion Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Lion/Lioness/Leo Registration \$25.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Late Registration (post marked after 2/10/16) \$28.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## “WESTERN OR CLUB MEETING ATTIRE”



MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: LIONS DISTRICT 21A

\*\*\*NO Refunds after February 15<sup>th</sup>\*\*\*

Mail to: PDG Ann Roberts  
Wickenburg Lions Club  
PO Box 1687

Wickenburg, AZ 85358-1687

Email: [LionAnnR@AOL.com](mailto:LionAnnR@AOL.com)

For Reservation call:

**Best Western Rancho Grande**  
293 East Wickenburg Way  
(two blocks from Convention Ctr)  
928-684-5445

Prices include 12.5% Tax

\$95.54 two queens

\$91.19 two doubles

\$85.02 one queen





Melvin Jones Lions International Memorial Foundation

P. O. Box 163 ~ Fort Thomas, AZ 85536 ~ 928-485-9493



**JOIN US FOR YOUR RE-DEDICATION TO LIONISM**

**SATURDAY JANUARY 9, 2016 BEGINNING AT 10:30 A.M.**

**AT THE MELVIN JONES LIONS INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL**

**IN FT. THOMAS, ARIZONA**

**AND PLAN TO ATTEND THE LUNCHEON AT THE EASTERN ARIZONA COLLEGE  
FOLLOWING THE RE-DEDICATION CEREMONY**

**EVERY YEAR AFTER THE HOLIDAYS FOOD BANK PANTRIES ARE NEAR EMPTY  
THIS YEAR WE ARE ASKING OUR LIONS TO BRING NONPERISHABLE FOOD FOR THE  
LOCAL FOOD BANK. THE SAFFORD LIONS WILL HAVE A TRUCK AT THE  
SPIRE TO LOAD YOUR FOOD AND DELIVER IT TO THE FOOD BANK. LET'S FILL THE  
TRUCK AND SHOW THAT THE LIONS OF ARIZONA CARE.**

**GUEST SPEAKER INTERNATIONAL \*\*2<sup>nd</sup> VP Naresh Aggarwal\*\***

**BRING YOUR NEW LIONS AND HAVE THEM INDUCTED BY OUR  
LCI 2<sup>ND</sup> VP Naresh Aggarwal**



**YOU'RE NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUB NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DISTRICT** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LUNCH COST (No later than December 30, 2015) \$25.00** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*\*\*SORRY, NO LUNCH TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR\*\*\*\*\***

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MJLIM FOUNDATION  
MAIL TO: PDG Les Daviet \*P.O. Box 519\* Laveen, AZ 85339-0519  
Cell Phone: 602 525 2377 E-MAIL -- [lesdaviatii@cs.com](mailto:lesdaviatii@cs.com)**